

I am writing in support of Low powered FM stations because they are designed to allow community churches, schools, chambers of commerce and the many not-for-profit groups that seldom get aired so that the public in their areas can know of the work they are doing in behalf of the people. The one FM community access station in this town (WDC) is WPFW-FM, NPR gives good national and global news, but no station worth listening to daily except WPFW gives local event news. It is about time that the local, volunteer, community action groups had a way of reaching the public on the air waves. Air waves which I understand are public property anyway with only permission given to commercial, network and large media corporations to use in the public interest. The present licensing system as it stands gives preference to remote, out of state organizations looking to rebroadcast on thousands of channels nationwide, rather than to local entities who want just one community radio station. Expansion of the LPFM would impact positively on their ability to enjoy positive, alternative broadcasts. Please expand LPFM, and allow this community to have greater choice of broadcasting. Thank You